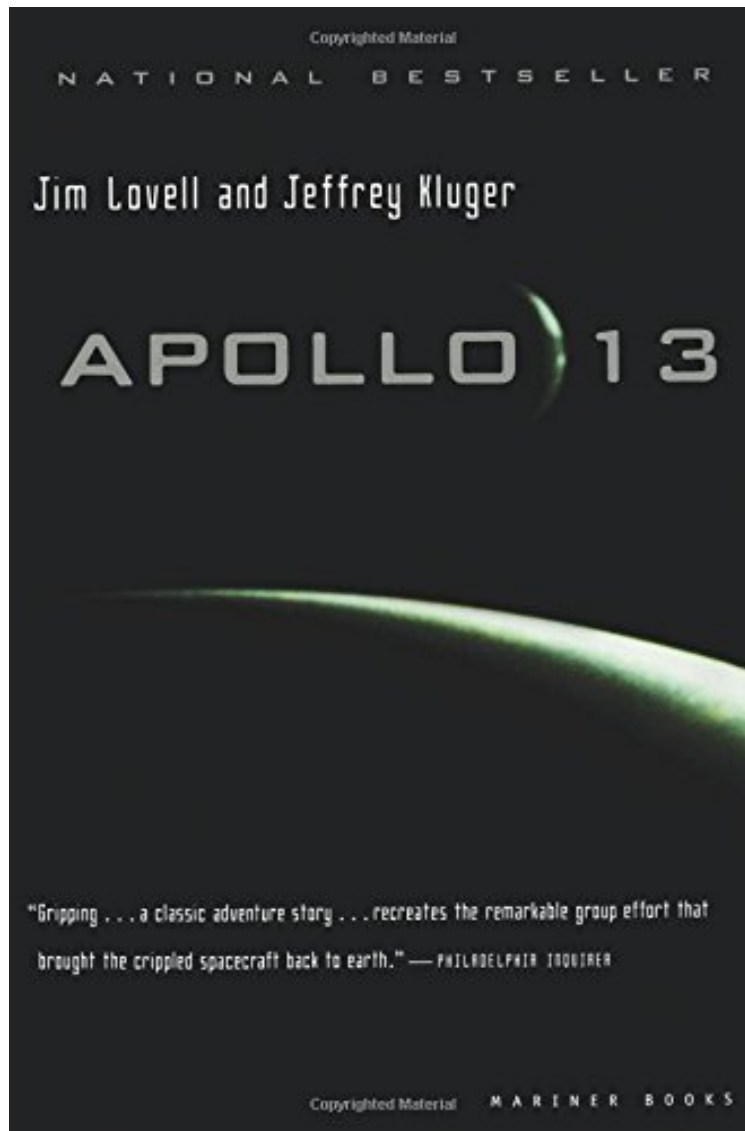


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James Lovell, Jeffrey Kluger : Apollo 13 before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Apollo 13:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Jim Lovell's Last Flight By ddsreader I purchased this book to get Jim Lovell's perspective on the events that took place throughout the mission. Previously published as "Lost Moon", the new preface and epilogue are new. The viewpoint from the ground and space are intertwined so that you get to feel the emotion and tension that was building not only in NASA and the Lovell, Haise, and Swigert households, but also across the country. How were the astronauts going to get back alive with little oxygen and no power within the

Command Module? Why did the Command Module continue to drift off course during its return back to Earth? All of these questions are answered within this story. Mr. Lovell and Mr. Kluger provide in-depth descriptions of what went on inside the Command Module and also the Lunar Module as it was being used as a "lifeboat" for the crew to stay alive. There is also great background information on Mr. Lovell and how he entered the astronaut program, as well as brief background info on Haise and Swigert. If you didn't know the story was part of American space history, you would think it was a great piece of fiction. Obviously it's not. Although most people know the ending of this story, the book is very well written and moves along at a pretty good rate. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Love it, but why the re-brand? By Bill This book is absolutely great, I actually bought "The Lost Moon" when I was just 8 years old at Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville Alabama. Somewhere in the last few years I lost the original copy. I ordered this one as a replacement and it just came today, I got to say the original cover art was much better than this. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. If you liked the movie....you'll enjoy the book. By Customer Always enjoyed the movie and finally got around to reading Lovell's book. The movie tracked the book remarkably closely. Enjoyed the read though. Good stuff.

In April 1970, during the glory days of the Apollo space program, NASA sent Navy Captain Jim Lovell and two other astronauts on America's fifth mission to the moon. Only fifty-five hours into the flight of Apollo 13, disaster struck: a mysterious explosion rocked the ship, and soon its oxygen and power began draining away. Written with all the color and drama of the best fiction, APOLLO 13 (previously published as Lost Moon) tells the full story of the moon shot that almost ended in catastrophe. Minutes after the explosion, the three astronauts are forced to abandon the main ship for the lunar module, a tiny craft designed to keep two men alive for just two days. As the hours tick away, the narrative shifts from the crippled spacecraft to Mission Control, from engineers searching desperately for a way to fix the ship to Lovell's wife and children praying for his safe return. The entire nation watches as one crisis after another is met and overcome. By the time the ship splashes down in the Pacific, we understand why the heroic effort to rescue Lovell and his crew is considered by many to be NASA's finest hour. Now, thirty years after the launch of the mission, Jim Lovell and coauthor Jeffrey Kluger add a new preface and never-before-seen photographs to Apollo 13. In their preface, they offer an incisive look at America's waxing and waning love affair with space exploration during the past three decades, culminating only recently when the Apollo 13 spacecraft itself, long consigned to an aviation museum outside Paris, was at last returned to its rightful home in the United States. As inspiring today as it was thirty years ago, the story of Apollo 13 is a timeless tribute to the enduring American spirit and sparkling individual heroism.